By Ian Glenday

Old Country Sports Scene

Former Daily Colonist sports writer Ian Glenday, on an extended tour of the British Isles and the Continent, today gives his views on Saturday's Football Association Cup semi-finals.

Take another look at the last four survivors in the Football Association Cup and then reflect for a moment on your pre-season "favorites" to reach the semi-finals. Who would have thought that four such improbable teams as Norwich City, Luton Town, Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest would be left from the 96 league teams and the non-league sides which started on the glory trail to Wembley?

Where are the Manchester Uniteds, Arsenals, Wolves, West Broms and Boltons? All the "power" clubs of English soccer were eliminated one by one, and only Bolton and Blackpool among highly-rated teams managed to advance as far as the quarter-finals.

This then, is the FA Cup—an unpredictable but appealing competition that affords the better teams no favors, gives the smaller clubs a chance for glory and riches, and carries tremendous spectator interest because of the uncertainty of results from round to round.

Trying to appraise the league performances and so-called "form" of the four teams makes it even harder to explain the makeup for Saturday's semi-final matches. Notts Forest is the only one of the three First Division teams in the top half of the table. Aston Villa is in danger of relegation to the Second Division and Norwich, barely above the mid-way mark in the Third Division, has only the slimmest of chances for promotion.

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Notts Forest, which has never won a league championship and is making its first semi-final appearance in 57 years, impressively knocked out cup holders Bolton in the quarter-finals, but had several bad moments in earlier rounds.

Tooting and Mitcham, the amateur upstarts, were within a few minutes of victory but Forest came through with two late goals, one a fluke, to equalize and then went on to an easy victory in the replay. Birmingham also offered strong opposition, forcing two replays before yielding by the odd goal.

Aston Villa, a famous cup-fighting side struggling to stay in the First Division, has moved impressively, if not spectacularly, in the Cup. Villa, now in the semi-final for a record 16th time, won three tough matches away from home, including last Tuesday's replay at Burnley, where they scored two breakaway goals in the second half against the run of play.

Luton Town, making its first semi-final appearance in 79 years of operation, is an unpredictable side which has had little success in league play. Luton wasn't tested too severely in early cup rounds but are well deserving of a semi-final berth as the result of a great win at Blackpool in the replay. A tough, extremely durable defence and the scoring antics of Scottish International Allan Brown have carried Luton to the threshold of Wembley.

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And then there is Norwich, a dramatic story in itself. In joining Millwall (1937), Port Vale (1954) and York City (1955) as the only Third Division semi-finalists in cup history, Norwich has accounted for Manchester United, Cardiff, Tottenham and Sheffield United (conqueror of Arsenal)—all teams in higher leagues—with home victories. Twice they forced replays, at Tottenham and Sheffield United.

Growing confidence, the unwavering faith of their supporters and the adaptibility of the Norwich players to all types of ground conditions and team styles, has been chiefly responsible for their success. Norwich has been playing the right type of football for Cup success and one of the biggest assets has been a coolness under fire.

Against Sheffield, the home team scored a goal in the first two minutes which would put down the spirit of many a club. But Norwich refused to panic and a concentrated attack in the second half led to a goal by Errol Crossan and a replay despite the fact that goalkeeper Nethercott played the last 30 minutes with a dislocated shoulder.

So much was the enthusiasm of the Norwich supporters that by 4 a.m. on the morning after the draw at Sheffield more than 20,000 tickets had been sold for the replay. At one time there was a queue stretching for a mile-and-a-half. Norwich bookmakers stand to take crippling losses if the team goes right through, for many supporters in faith more than reason, placed bets and received high odds at the start of the competition. But the financial picture is bright for the club, Norwich playing before 317,000 cup fans and getting £42,000 from their nine cup matches.

Now it's Notts against the Villa and Norwich against Luton (at Tottenham's White Hart Lane) in the semi-finals. Most fans are hoping for a Notts-Norwich final, for the Forest plays the type of attractive football worthy of any Wembley finalist and Norwich has captivated the imagination of every football follower.

B.C. Stars Take First Rugby Loss

NISHINOMIYA, Japan — B.C.'s touring all-star rugby side suffered its first defeat here yesterday as a scrappy Kintetsu Railway club beat the Canadians, 16-9, in the fifth game of the eight-game goodwill exhibition series.

The B.C. side, which is finding the competition tougher as the tour progresses, now has a record of three wins, one loss and one tie. Sixth game will be played Sunday against the all-Japan side at Osaka.

Canadian coach Kenny Banks described the Japanese team as "first-class," and termed the win "a well-deserved victory." He said that the forwards moved actively and skillfully and worked well with the backs.

Team members said the unexpected speed and co-ordination of the Japanese attack caught them off guard from start to finish.

FAST START

The Japanese team got off to a fast start and built up an 8-0 lead in the first four minutes. The Canadians narrowed the margin before the half ended with six points on a pair of penalty kicks.

After the interval the B.C. side rallied for a try to go ahead, 9-8, but the Japanese scored a converted try and added another try just before the game ended.

The Canadians appeared to lack the speed that has marked their earlier games. The Kintetsu tackled brilliantly against the bulkier Canadians and displayed excellent teamwork.

Snooker News

RESULTS

Elks 7, Tillicums 5; Britannia 7, Eagles 5; Pro Pats 9, Army, Navy and Air Force 3.

FINAL STANDINGS

Tillicums 135, Elks 130, Britannia 120, Pro Pats 101, Army Navy and Air Force 88, Eagles 82.

Semi-finals — Tillicums vs. Britannia, Elks vs. Pro Pats.

Tonight He May Not Miss

If this punch had landed, then it might really have knocked Gene Fullmer's head off as the picture seems to indicate, and Wilf Greaves of Edmonton might have fashioned an upset. But it didn't, and Fullmer won a close decision in their middleweight bout in New York. Greaves is hoping for better things tonight when he meets Yama Bahama in New York.—(CPC)

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Greaves, Bahama Meet

Society Fighters Set For High-Class Brawl

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK (UPI) — The social lions are all agog today over an impending tea party for two young tigers.

There is slight question but what there will be more action than you find at the Copa, 21, or the Stork in the early hours of the morning when the gentility winds up and lets fly. Wilf Greaves and Yama Bahama won't have anybody to separate them Friday night at Madison Square Garden.

But the 400 is tremendously interested, nonetheless, in this impending bit of fisticuffs.

Yama, whose square handle is William Hohahis Butler Jr., is the one-time Bimini fishing guide discovered by golf's Sammy Snead and sponsored originally by such gentlemen as Bernard Gimbel and Gene Tunney. He does not read much Shakespeare but up to the moment has not been reported as having an aversion to blue bloods or blue chips.

SOCIAL BACKING

Greaves, not to be outdone, has his own share of social backing.

His sponsor is C. W. Smith, noted Detroit sportsman and industrialist whose racing stable includes the Stakes winning Hillsdale. Wilf doesn't particularly care whether Gimbell tells Macy as long as things are booming in the motor city.

Aside from the social aspects of this embroglio, it could be quite a fight which will be presented on your video screen. Wilf, although only a middleweight, is being hailed as the "new Marciano." The erstwhile champion of the heavyweight division may not be particularly delighted with such a comparison off Wilf's early record but, of late, Greaves has had some slight resemblance.

This is due to the fact that, following the demise of the late Jake Mintz, Greaves began to learn to fight instead of hit and run.

Jake was a marathon talker and it communicated itself to Wilf's legs. Under his new sponsorship, however, Greaves has been taking instructions from Charlie Goldman.

RING GENIUS

Goldman, you may recall, is the gnomish genius of the ring who tutored Marciano, and, while the Rock always remained a far piece from becoming a ballet star, he never missed clubbing his opponent into submission. Goldman's golden touch has played a distinct part in Wilf's winning 13 of his last 14 bouts, seven by Kayo.

Rubbing elbows with society, Wilf didn't scream "we wuz robbed" after losing a recent split decision to former middleweight champion Gene Fullmer. He does insist, on the other hand, that "the decision was incomprehensible."

A 7 to 5 choice in this one, Wilf's record now is a respectable 27 victories in 38 starts. He lacks the experience of young Mr. Butler-Bahama in that the one-time battle royal graduate has won 51 or 62 engagements. Yet, while the 26-year-old Bahama is billed as the "Bimini Bomber," he flattened only 17 rivals while Greaves has put the lights out for 15. As any minor leaguer could tell you, this gives Wilf a knockout batting average of .555 against the "Bomber's" .333.

Greaves, 23, was voted Canada's athlete of the year in 1954 when he won the British Empire Games middleweight championship. He also was quite a track star in high school, a forte which showed up during his early fistic career and prevailed until Goldman took a hand. Bahama's background is, like it says in the travel folders, one of fishing, and the prospects are that this time he'll get hooked.

Still, it figures to be a better fight than you'll see at the Stork Club.

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Macs Survive Toughest Test By Beating Speedy Russians

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia — Canada's Belleville McFarlands survived what is expected to be their toughest test in the world amateur hockey tournament yesterday, defeating previously unbeaten Russia, 3-1, in a fast and cleanly-played game.

In yesterday's other game, the United States turned back winless Finland, 10-3, for its second victory in three starts.

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Canada	2	0	0	9	1	4
Czechoslovakia	2	0	0	12	3	4
United States	2	1	0	18	9	4
Soviet Union	1	1	0	6	4	2
Sweden	0	2	0	2	11	0
Finland	0	3	0	5	24	0

Canada struck for two quick goals in the first period and took a 3-0 lead in the third period before Russia got its lone goal.

Moe Benoit and Dennis Boucher scored for Belleville in the first period and playing coach Ike Hildebrand tallied the third goal in the final period.

For the Russians, who showed their best in the scoreless second period, Victor Yakushev was the marksman.

The Russians just missed getting their first goal of the game in the second period when they scored a second after the period ended.

FANS CHEER RUSSIANS

The Canadians, defending champions, were forced to go all out by the fast-skating Russians, who were cheered on by most of the 15,000 fans who watched the game.

The fans whistled and booed when bodychecks by Canadians knocked the wind out of Igor Dokonsky and Benjamin Alexandrov in the first period. But the game was cleanly-played, in fact tame by North American standards, as only four penalties were called. Belleville took three.

Closest the players came to a flareup occured in the second period when Al Dewsbury and Russian captain Nikolay Sologubov started to argue.

Fans quickly cooled off the pair by dousing them with beer.

After the game, the jubilant Canadians acted as if they had already won the tournament. They mobbed goaltender Gordon Bell and whooped it up for 10 minutes before lining up at their blueline for the usual closing ceremonies.

NETMINDERS BRILLIANT

Bell and Russian netminder Nikolai Puchkov were probably the two outstanding players on the ice, both coming up with spectacular saves on several occasions.

Canada meets Sweden today, the United States tomorrow and Czechoslovakia Sunday and is heavily favored to win its three remaining games and the world championship.

In the Canadian dressing room, playing coach Ike Hildebrand, when he could be heard above the din, said the Russians were definitely the best team Canada has met in the tournament.

"If we played a string of 10 games with them they would win about 40 per cent," he said.

Meanwhile, the congress of the International Hockey Federation yesterday awarded the 1961 tournament to Switzerland and the 1962 tournament to the United States.

There will be no world championship, as such, next year but hockey competition will be included in the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, Calif.

Mais Electric Gains Ground

"B" DIVISION	W	L	T	Pts
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Mais Electric	10	7	1	21
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Speedway Motors	7	9	1	15

Mais Electric defeated Island Tug, 17-15, to move into a first-place tie with the Tugmen in the "B" division of the Victoria Table Tennis Association standings.

"A" DIVISION

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Strathcona Hotel—E. Remes 8, R. Greenwood 6, R. Pye 5, B. Beckwith 5, K. Leung 4, J. Davison 2.

Team III—J. Eardie 18, W. Bowden 14, J. Leiske 13, N. Craig 11, K. Stricker 11, G. Clark 11, M. Acason 7, R. Lang 5, F. Vernon 2, F. Benschek 0.

TOP SCORERS

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by John Allen Knight

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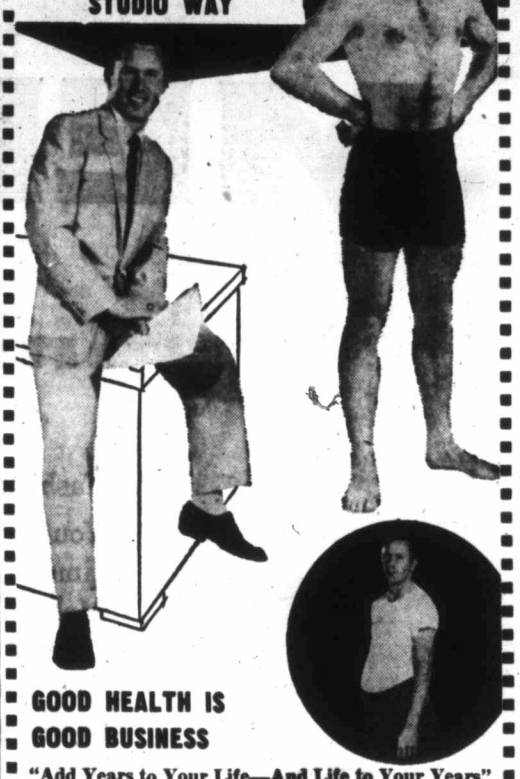

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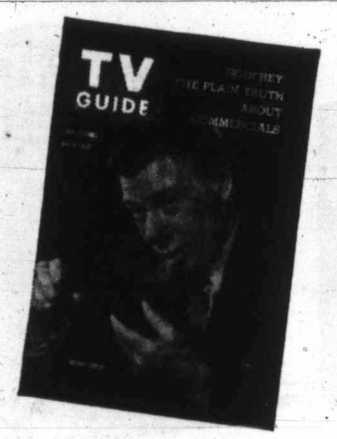

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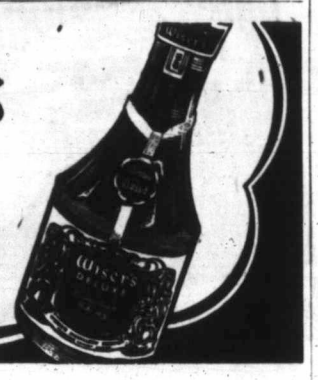

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